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**Congress of the United States**  
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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,000,000 in funding for the **Mobile Bomb Squad Response Vehicles** project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the **Dallas Fort Worth International Airport** located at 2400 Aviation Drive, DFW Airport TX 75261.

The funding would be used to purchase two Mobile Bomb Squad Response to ensure that all activities at the airport can be performed effectively and efficiently. It would also enable communication between EOC, traffic control towers, incident command and first responders. By increasing the mobility of the Bomb Squad, this allows for an increasingly secure scene perimeter and safe operations area for first responders, traveling public, surrounding cities and mutual aid response.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the purchase of Mobile Bomb Squad Response Vehicles would mitigate capability gaps both for DFW Airport, as well as the surrounding region. Improve command and control abilities at the first responder level through use of command-and-control vehicles and increase the Bomb Squads ability to respond to large scale events including secondary incidents. The community benefits from having a bomb squad that can respond to and is equipped with all the tools needed to render an improvised explosive device safely.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Colin Allred', written in a cursive style.

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